

SMOKE SIGNALS

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Administration's Message

Dear Residents:

As I sat down at my computer to write this Administration's Message on a cold wintry Saturday, my thoughts were more on how I had just spent my day – taking care of my grandchildren. In light of recent world events, I couldn't help but think how blessed my husband and I are to have family and friends close by. My thoughts and prayers go out to the children, parents and grandparents who have lost loved ones in the earthquake/tsunami disaster and in other man-made conflicts throughout the world. The pain, suffering, and devastation from these areas seen on television are unfathomable to most of us. There is, and will be for a long time to come, a need for monetary donations. A list of regional organizations coordinating relief efforts for victims can be accessed at www.pioneerlocal.com.

Helping others less fortunate is what IHP residents do. Thanks to all who donated to the Indian Head Park Woman's Club Holiday Food Drive. And a special thanks to the Indian Head Park Police Department for again being the drop-off site.

Volunteer drivers are needed to deliver hot meals to homebound, disabled or frail senior citizens in the local area including Indian Head Park. If available, contact Francine Piehl, CNN Nutrition Site Manager for Southwest Suburban Center on Aging, 708/354-1323.

Kudos to the Indian Head Park Public Works Department for the great job of snow removal during the recent thirty-nine hour snow event. Congratulations to Director Grane on passing his certification as a Law Enforcement Officer from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. Additionally, the IHP Police Department has received a \$4,855 grant for bullet-proof vests and safety equipment. Finally, in our never-ending quest to promote public safety, Officer Jeff Studlow has been named our Crime Prevention Officer to work with residents on safety issues assisted by Officer Lee Zeitlin.

Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving as one of your Village Trustees.

Trustee Carol A. Coleman

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From the Chief's Office



Actions Families Can Take to Raise Drug-Free Kids

Start: It is never too early to prevent your children from trying drugs. Building protective factors, such as letting your child know you care, plays an important role in protecting even the youngest children from drugs. **Connect:** Take every opportunity to build lines of communications with your children. Do things as a family. Spend time together—eat dinner as a family, read together, play a game, visit a museum, go to the park. Show that fun does not involve drugs. **Listen:** take a more active interest in what is going on in your children's lives. Listen to their cares and concerns.

Know what they are up to--what parties they are going to, with whom, and what will be served or available. **Learn:** Children today are sophisticated. To educate your child about the danger of drugs, you need to educate yourself first. In many cases, you and your child can learn side by side. Sit down together and learn about the risks drugs pose. **Educate:** Spend at 30 minutes with your kids every month explaining with simple facts how drugs can hurt youngsters and destroy their dreams. **Care:** Spend at least a few minutes each day telling and showing your children that you care. Make sure they know you care they are drug-free. Explain to your child that you will always be there for them, no matter what happens. Make sure that they know to come to you first for help or information. The extended family plays a role in influencing a child's life. **Be Aware:** Look for warning signs that your child may be developing a substance abuse problem and get help before the problem occurs. **Set Limits:** By setting limits on what is acceptable behavior, you show your children you care and help guide them to a safer, drug-free future. Declare limits: "This family does not do drugs. This family does not hang around people who do drugs." Enforce these limits. If you say no drugs or no drinking and driving, the rule applies to parents, too. **Get Involved:** Effective prevention extends beyond the home into the community. Get involved in your community. Ensure that your community's streets, playgrounds and schools are safe and drug-free. **Lead:** Young people are as aware of what you do as what you say. Do not just say the right things; do the right things. Set a good example.

From the Desk of Mayor Pellegrino.....

Annual Report

Let me begin this year's message by thanking the warm-hearted, creative and passionate residents of Indian Head Park for your privilege of serving as your Mayor. With your assistance, I continue to learn and hopefully continually improve as the chief executive officer of that special piece of earth that is Indian Head Park.

Being unable to utilize a crystal ball nor ever purporting to have a monopoly on all of the answers, public service is both an exhilarating and humbling experience.

Whether in the public sector or the private sector, to be successful, one must understand the values of gratitude and stewardship. Properly understood, gratitude is a thankful appreciation for all those who labor in achieving the goals for a greater good.

Village Clerk Norman Schnaufer and Trustees Rich Andrews, Debbie Anselmo, Anne Bermier, Carol Coleman, Joe Reda, and Matt Walsh exemplify public service professionalism, for which I am grateful. Not any less significant, I am grateful to have an administrative staff and police department supervised by Wayne Grane, Director of Administration and Public Safety. Also, when the word gratitude comes to mind, I envision all of the many volunteers who help to make Indian Head Park – a community of caring and sharing – so unique.

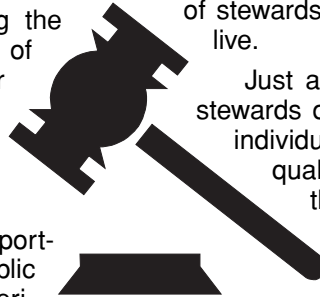
The value of stewardship is not only exemplified but it is embodied in the life and public service career of one of the dearest friends to our regional community – Jack Roche. On November 13th, I had the honor of addressing those who had assembled to recognize Jack for his 46 years of service to the Pleasantview Fire Protection District. That day, I spoke of the notion of stewardship – that those of us who hold public office must realize and, therefore, never forget this value.

The torch of leadership burns most brightly when the values of stewardship and gratitude are methods by which we live.

Just as elected and appointed public officials are stewards of the apparatus of government, all of us as individuals are stewards of our environment and quality of life. The prudent steward is mindful of the balance between idealism and pragmatism and the difference between progressivism and pessimism. In its thought-provoking publication, "Stewardship News,"

the International Audubon Society speaks to the notion of "smart growth" in relation to our environment. We can all learn valuable lessons from this.

Thank you again for the privilege of serving as your Mayor.



Scheduled Meeting Dates

Village Board of Trustees:

Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 10, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Commission:

Tuesday, February 1, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 1, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

E-911 Board:

Thursday, March 17, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

Police Commission:

Thursday, March 3, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings are held at the Municipal Facility at 201 Acacia Drive. All residents are welcomed!

Smoke Signals

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Deadline date for the next issue is February 21, 2005.

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Indian Head Park Woman's Club

The January meeting of the Indian Head Park Woman's Club will be held on Jan. 18th 2005, at the Village Hall, 201 Acacia Drive at 7:00 p.m. The business meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Immediately following the meeting will be the program for this month. Amy Scott will give a presentation on Interior Redesign. Amy Scott can be reached at (708) 354-2812 if you wish to know more about what she can do for you or to make an appointment. All of the club's programs can be attended by any interested person, no questions asked.

February's IHP Club meeting will be held on Feb. 15th at the Village Hall, 201 Acacia Drive in the conference room at 7:00 p.m. Following the meeting will be the February program introduced by Trudy Schmitt. For the purpose of varying the venues, this month's program will be a "game." The game requires member participation so a fun time should be had by everyone. The program consists of a "Dice Game" which will be first explained by Schmitt. For more information, call Trudy at (708) 246 4696. Please keep Saturday, April 30th, 2005, open for a great lunch sponsored by the club. It will be held at the Oak Brook Bath and Tennis Club. For more information and/or to purchase tickets, call Gayle Abbott at (708) 246 3300. The tickets are priced at \$35.00. The Indian Head Park Woman's Club wishes to thank you for your food donations that were delivered to the IHP Police Department.

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Invites You to Attend the Following Upcoming Events:

Heritage Day on March 4th at 1:15 p.m.
(Elementary Multipurpose Room)

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Middle School Musical
(Middle School Gym)
April 14 at 1:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
April 15 at 7:30 p.m.

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Science Festival on April 21
at 10:45 to 12:15 p.m.
Elementary Multipurpose Room

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Art Fair on April 28
from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
(Elementary Multipurpose Room)

For details regarding Elementary School events, please contact Dr. Vivian Powers-Richard at (708) 485-3098. For Middle School events, please contact Mr. Mike Papierski at (708) 485-3074.

Voter Registration



Residents can register to vote at the Municipal Facility Administration Offices at 201 Acacia Drive during regular office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All that is necessary to register is residency of 30 days and two forms of identification (one identification showing your Indian Head Park address and one photo identification). Further information regarding voter registration may be obtained by visiting the Cook County Clerk's Office Website at: www.voterinfonet.com.

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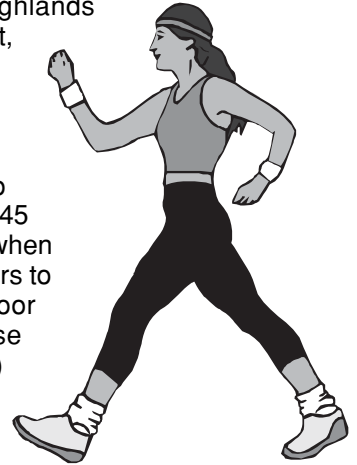
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Aging Well Initiative News...Attention Walkers

The Indian Head Park Aging Well Team has partnered with the LaGrange Highlands Elementary School District, located at 1750 Plainfield Road, to permit seniors to use the school for walking exercises. The school will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and again from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on days when school is in session for seniors to utilize the facility for indoor walking exercises. Please contact Julie Phelps at (708) 485-3176 to schedule your walking hour and also for further details.



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TEEPEE TOPICS

Congratulations to Officer Jeff Studlow, who was recently appointed by Director Grane, to serve as Crime Prevention Officer in the Indian Head Park Police Department and Officer Lee Leitlin who was appointed to serve as Officer Studlow's assistant. This community liaison position was established to provide the community with crime prevention information and to enhance current crime prevention practices and procedures that have been implemented by the Department.

The Highlands School 4th Grade Chorus under the direction of Mr. Jim Koning went "caroling" in the Wilshire Green Association buildings in Indian Head Park during December. After singing in each of the buildings, the group of 42 met in the clubhouse for refreshments and sang several songs for the parents and others that gathered.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the families and friends of residents who recently passed away: Venancio P. Yu M.D., a long time resident of Indian Head Park, who was a physician in general practice at Loretto Hospital in Chicago for 25 years. Charles A. Olson, a 23 year resident of Indian Head Park, who was a foreman for People's Gas Co. for 39 years and who also served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. John A. Pyka, an Indian Head Park resident for more than 26 years, who was the owner of Design and Camera Graphics Co. for 30 years and a United States Army veteran. Patrick McGrath, a resident of Indian Head Park who was a manager for Queen of Heaven Cemetery and who also served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II.

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